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1. At the close of the summer of 1952 preparations were made for building a new military airfield near Kosice, 30 km. east-southeast of the city on the Varanno-Trebisov railroad line, in the area of the villages Backov, Visnove, Ternovka and Secovce. An area of 2,300 by 3,400 m. was taken over for the field. The terrain is quite flat with hard lower layers.
2. At the end of October 1952, 40 to 50 workmen arrived who began the construction of temporary quarters. Building machinery was brought in during the winter. Work on the field itself began late in the spring of 1953.

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